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Subject: RE: Dewey Burdock update - Update on the NRC cultural survey

Thanks. I believe Doug's meeting with Darcy on DB was canceled and they are looking to postpone the call with Powertech. I will let you know if I hear more.

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Subject: FW: Dewey Burdock update - Update on the NRC cultural survey

FYI -

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Subject: Re: Dewey Burdock update - Update on the NRC cultural survey

Hello,

Here are some bullets on NRC activities related to Phase I of the cultural survey originally planned for June 11-22:

- During early June, the NRC conducted three webinar/teleconferences with the Oglala Sioux Tribe (the OST) or its counsel. The Tribal Historic Preservation Officer of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe also participated in one of the webinar/teleconferences. No other tribes participated in the webinar/teleconferences or indicated interest to the NRC in participating in the field survey.
- At the request of the OST, the NRC met on June 11 and 12, 2018, with OST representatives in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, to continue discussions and reach agreement on the methodology for the tribal field survey. On the evening of June 12, the OST presented to the NRC a new cultural resources survey proposal for the Dewey-Burdock project independently developed by the OST and its consultants. After continued discussion, on June 15 the OST provided to the NRC an updated survey proposal, that was substantially similar to the June 12 proposal.

- After reviewing the OST's cultural resources survey proposal, the NRC determined that the OST's proposal was fundamentally incompatible with the selected approach presented to the ASLB and agreed upon by all parties.
- Given how different the OST's new proposal was from the agreed-upon approach, the NRC has determined that neither a response to the proposal nor alignment with the OST approach would be feasible before the end of the second week of the June field survey.
- The NRC informed the OST and Powertech on Friday, June 15, 2018, that the NRC had discontinued any June tribal field survey activities.
- The NRC is considering the next steps and options available to it in light of the OST's June 15 proposal.
- The NRC plans on updating the ASLB and parties on the status of its deliberations on or before July 2, 2018.

I'll let you know what I hear this week.

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Subject: Dewey Burdock update

Hi Valois –

I met with Darcy this morning, and she let me know that she is meeting with Doug and Patrick tomorrow to discuss the status of the Dewey work, and then Doug has a call with Powertech on July 8 (I think that's the date). The one question Darcy had that I could not answer was if you had any updates on the NRC process for the site survey. Please don't do any research for this, but if you have heard how it's going or could summarize what should have occurred based on their schedule, that would be helpful. Otherwise Darcy was going to prompt Doug to ask Powertech for an update on the NRC process since we aren't involved.

Darcy asked for whatever info you have by COB today.
Thanks!

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